

Meeting Notes

Destination Imagination Region 15 Board Meeting 2019-2020

Date: 10/14/2019
Time: 6:30pm
Where: Casa D'Angelo's

Attendees:

Deb Hamric, Reed Fuller, Jill Ghosh, Treasure Kriston, Tony Richiutti, Monica Simon, Jeff Wilson, Jenny Wilson

- 1) Treasurer's Report
 - a) Region 15 was in the black for the 2018/19 year although an invoice was never received from Barberton for the facility fee. \$750 was budgeted.
 - b) The current year budget was reviewed. The following changes were recommended – Reduce Registration Fee Income by \$700 and reduce Concession Expense by \$700 (fewer pins will be provided by Region 15 for Global Finals).
 - c) Fundraisers include Chipotle headed up by Monica Grebb, Cartridge Recycling, and potential for Trophy Recycling.
 - d) The website domain was paid.
 - e) There is a Corporate Sponsorship letter template available if anyone would like to pursue a sponsorship. Contact Jenny for more info.
 - f) The 2019/2020 budget was approved pending noted changes.
- 2) State Info
 - a) Sally will attend the October 26th State Meeting.
 - b) Background Checks
 - i) Reed passed out a few documents regarding the new background check policy. According to the documentation, **all Team Managers, Assistant Team Managers, and Regional Challenge Masters** must get or have on file with school/employer a background check with satisfactory results (dated 6/1/2019 or later).
 - ii) The deadline for obtaining a background check or meeting the background check requirements is 1/15/2020.
 - iii) Ohio DI Background Check Certification Forms (distributed at the meeting) are required to be filled out by TMs, Assistant TMs, and Regional CMs.
 - iv) *Post Meeting Update: As some of the information regarding DI background checks is still being clarified and potentially modified, the forms distributed at the meeting and overall process may have changed since the 10/14 meeting. More updates forthcoming.*
 - v) The State Tournament will be held at Centerville HS on 4/4/2020.
- 3) Region 15 Tournament Info
 - a) The Region Tournament will be held on 3/7/2020 at Barberton Middle School.
 - b) Challenge Masters have been confirmed for this year:
 - i) Technical – Tony Richiutti
 - ii) Scientific – Corrine Woodworth
 - iii) Fine Arts – Jim Miller
 - iv) Improvisational – Monica Simon
 - v) Engineering – Rocco Marzuola
 - vi) Service Learning – Jordan Koppelberger
 - vii) Instant Challenge – Reed Fuller
 - viii) Rising Stars – Lisa McFedries
 - ix) Score Room – Dharmash Sanghavi
 - c) Reed has requested that each CM have a backup trained and ready to go in case the primary CM is unexpectedly unavailable on Tournament day. The suggestion is for the Head Appraiser be the backup.
 - d) This is Reed's final year as Regional Director. The Region will need a replacement for the 2020/2021 year.
 - e) Region 15 Tournament Registration dates are 12/20/2019 for the \$35 fee and 1/10/2020 for the \$70 fee. All Teams must be registered by 1/10/2020. To qualify for those deadlines and fee rates, **all**

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three Registrations must be complete for the Team, the Team's Appraiser, and the Team's Volunteer.

- f) Jeff will follow-up with Dharmash regarding whether a laptop can be used by an Appraiser for scoring (instead of a smartphone).
 - g) The number of Appraisers available vs. the number of Appraisers needed for the Tournament is very tight each year. Extra Appraisers are needed (above the required one Appraiser from each Team). DI Alumni could be a good source for extras.
 - h) Kelly Thewlis will be our Emcee again this year for the Award Ceremony.
 - i) St. Sebastian school in Akron will be joining our Region this year.
- 4) A District Coordinator's Meeting was held on 9/18/2019. Reed distributed the notes from that meeting.
- 5) Challenge Master Training will be on (or begin on?) 2/1/2020.
- 6) A two hour Team Manager Training, required for new TMs, will be held on 10/19 or 10/26 and 11/9. 11/9 will be held at Aurora HS. TBD for the earlier training location.
- 7) The Region is exploring the idea of a Senior Recognition Award. Criteria needs to be developed. Treasure will provide a name of someone that could provide criteria information.
- 8) The cost of Global Finals per Team at Kansas City is again quite high this year and may be prohibitive for Teams to participate beyond the State level. The Global Team Registration fee is \$5,500. Hotel, food, flights, and prop transportation are additional expenses that should be accounted for to determine the total cost per Team to attend.
- 9) Region 15 Board Meeting dates – 11/11/2019, 1/13/2020, 2/10/2020 & the Region 15 Tournament is on 3/7/2020. The State Tournament is 4/4/2020 at Centerville HS.